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SUBJ: CIVIL AVIATION: SKYTRAIN, ICELANDIC AND OTHER LOW
FARE FLIGHTS

1. TRANSPORT MINISTER MARCEL MART TELEPHONED ECONOFFICER IMMEDIATELY AFTER READING THAT PRESIDENT CARTER SIGNED HIS APPROVAL TO THE SKYTRAIN SERVICE PROPOSED BY BRITAIN'S LAKER AIRWAYS. THE MINISTER WAS CLEARLY CONCERNED ABOUT THE IMPACT OF AN EXPANDED SKYTRAIN CONCEPT INVOLVING MAJOR AIRLINES ON ICELANDIC AIRLINES LONG-STANDING USA-EUROPE SERVICE TO LUXEMBOURG, WHICH IS THE MAJOR TRAFFIC SOURCE FOR LUXEMBOURG'S AIRPORT. HE COMMENTED THAT ICELANDIC, EVEN OPERATING WITH AN OVER 80 PERCENT LOAD FACTOR, WAS ONLY MAKING MODEST PROFITS, AND FORESAW TERRIBLE LOSSES FOR TRANS-ATLANTIC AIRLINES IF THEY ATTEMPTED TO COMPETE WITH A LIMITED LAKER SERVICE.

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2. THE SKYTRAIN PUBLICITY STIRRED MINISTER MART TO INQUIRE ABOUT PERSISTENT RUMORS THAT NATIONAL AIRLINES HAS APPROACHED THE CIVIL AERONAUTICS BOARD FOR APPROVAL OF A LOWER-THAN-REGULAR FARE SERVICE FROM FLORDIA TO LUXEMBOURG. NATIONAL HAS HAD NO CONTACT WITH LUXEMBOURG AUTHORITIES WHO, OF COURSE, WOULD HAVE TO APPROVE SUCH ARRANGEMENTS. CAN THE DEPARTMENT OR CAB PROVIDE INFORMA-

TION ON ANY SUCH NATIONAL AIRLINES' PROPOSAL? PHILLIPS

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